



Pre-Master Studies

The aim of this programme is to provide a theoretical and applied knowledge and skills required at postgraduate level. In completing the programme, students will be able to demonstrate understanding of research methods and methodologies; critical and creative thinking and analytical skills in the production of written and oral assignments, to develop the prescribed level of inter-disciplinary language competence. Students will examine a range of research approaches, techniques, and methodologies, and manage their personal development enhancing their intellectual and practical skills, that build a set of transferable skills as appropriate for continuing at postgraduate level.

In Semester one you will study:

- Interactive Learning Skills & Communication for PG Study
- Critical & Creative Thinking
- Research Methods for PG Study
- Applied Concepts for PG Study (Generic)

Module overview

Applied Concepts for Postgraduate Study

This module has been designed to guide students through the key activities and concepts, which need to be undertaken and applied in the production of a written report at postgraduate level. The students are encouraged to reflect upon their approach whilst constructing their report, through continual feedback in tutorials, developing skills that will help in the re-evaluation of the decisions they make, drawing upon theory and its relation to practice. The students will be required to present their work during the semester to receive timely feedback on their submitted drafts. This module will enable students to apply concepts which they have studied in the complementary modules on the Generic Pre-Masters programme element.

Research Methods for Postgraduate Study

The Research Methods module has been specifically designed for students who are required to demonstrate appropriate research and study skills at Masters level at the University. Successful completion of this module indicates that students have obtained a good understanding of and ability to apply the requisite skills involved in demonstrating their understanding of, and ability to conduct research, evaluate relevant literature, and report research findings.

This module is designed to assist students in developing a critical awareness of and familiarity with research methods; and provide students with underpinning knowledge and understanding of research methods and methodologies and a solid grounding for the more advanced research skills required in postgraduate study.

Critical and Creative Thinking

The Critical and Creative Thinking module has been designed to assist learners in developing a range of critical and analytical thinking skills necessary for successful study at postgraduate level. This will be achieved by learners gaining an understanding of concepts used in critical thinking; interpreting the arguments of others and developing effective arguments of their own whether in spoken or written form.

Interactive Learning Skills and Communication

To develop: a range of academic and communication skills necessary for successful study at postgraduate level; a range of transferable communication skills (written and oral) to prepare students for professional life; independent learning tactics and strategies and, encourage students to take responsibility for their personal, academic, and professional development.

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